

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Appeal Brief filed August 18, 2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-13 and 15-42.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☒ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____



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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicants' representative Mr. Frederick M. Fliegel (Reg. No. 36,138) on December 2, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Claim 14 is canceled.

Claim 15 after the words "A method as recited in claim", delete "14" and insert --18--.

Claim 17 after the words "A method as recited in claim", delete "14", insert --18--.

Claim 18 replaces as following:

18. (Twice amended) [A method as recited in claim 14] A method comprising:
collecting, using a single registration wizard at a client computer,
registration information for manufactures for a plurality of registering components of the
client computer;
establishing a plurality of connections between the client computer and a
plurality of registration databases corresponding to manufactures of the plurality of
registering components; and

transferring at least a portion of the registration information to each of the plurality of registration databases via the plurality of connections, wherein the establishing a plurality of connections comprises:

establishing a communication link between the client computer and a network;
and

subsequently establishing connections between the client computer and each of the plurality of registration databases via the communication link.

Claim 20 after the words "A method as recited in claim", delete "14", insert --18--.

Claim 21 after the words "A method as recited in claim", delete "14", insert --18--.

Claim 22 after the words "One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim ", delete "14", insert --18--.

Claim 23 replaces as following:

23. (Twice amended) A system comprising:
a registration wizard to collect registration information; [and]
one or more posting modules, coupled to the registration wizard, to,
establish a plurality of connections between the client computer and to a plurality of registration databases corresponding to the plurality of manufacturers,
wherein the one or more posting modules are configured to establish the plurality of connection by:
establishing a communication link between the client computer and a network;

subsequently establishing connections between the client computer and each of the plurality of registration databases via the communication link, and
the one or more posting modules transfer at least a portion of the registration information to each of the plurality of registration databases via the plurality of connections.

Claim 35 after the words "A method as recited in claim", delete "14", insert --18--.

Claim 42 after the words "A method as recited in claim", delete "14", insert --18--.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

3. Claims 1-13, 15-42 are allowed.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

Claims 1, 8, 18, 19, 23, 28, and 29 claimed a system and method of unified collection and uploading of user registration information for manufactures of components of client computer is documented by the cited prior arts. However, the invention has some particular combination limitations that are different and distinct from prior arts. Among the differences between claimed invention and the prior art of record, the major difference is the combination of collecting registration for manufactures for a plurality of registering components of the client computer; establishing a communication link between the client computer and a network; establishing a plurality of connections between the client computer and plurality of registration databases corresponding to manufactures of the plurality of registering components via the same communication link (or via the single communication link) transferring at least a portion of the

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registration information to each of the plurality of registration databases via the plurality of connection via a single communication is novel thus the invention is patentable.

5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thu Ha Nguyen, whose telephone number is (571) 272-3989. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hosain T. Alam, can be reached at (571) 272-3978.

Any inquiry of a general nature of relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-9600.

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